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SUBJECT: DEBRIEFING OF CS-07-125859 ON FEBRUARY 1, 2010.

REF: GFXL-07-8001 SFIP AFRICAN FRONTIER; UP-10-0004 WOLEX ET AL
GFUP-09-4001 SEA RELIANCE; ZQ-10-0020 CHINYELUGO, IKECHUKWA JOSEPH
UP-06-0007 AKINDELE, OKUMOLUYI; CS-07-125859

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DRUG RELATED INFORMATION

1. THE LAGOS CO DEBRIEFED CS-07-125859 (CS) REGARDING THE
ACTIVITIES OF NIGERIAN TRAFFICKERS OPERATING IN SOUTH
AMERICA. NIGERIAN NATIONAL WOLEX AND ASSOCIATES ARE
CURRENTLY COORDINATING THE MARITIME AND AIR CARGO
SMUGGLING OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF COCAINE FROM SOUTH
AMERICA TO WEST AFRICA AND THE LAUNDERING OF DUG
PROCEEDS.

2. DURING THE LAST MONTHS OF 2009 TO FEBRUARY 2010, CS-
07-125859 (CS) HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH NIGERIAN DRUG
TRAFFICKERS WHO HAVE ESTABLISHED COCAINE SMUGGLING
ROUTES FROM QUITO, ECUADOR AND OTHER COUNTRIES IN
SOUTH AMERICA THROUGH BRAZIL INTO WEST AFRICA,
UTILIZING DIFFERENT METHODS, INCLUDING MARITIME
SMUGGLING AND AIRPORT CARGO LOADS. (OAF-C01-UP-10;
OAF-E02/E03-UP-10)

3. NIGERIAN TRAFFICKER, KNOWN ONLY AS IDOWU, IS CURRENTLY

RESIDING IN QUITO, ECUADOR, USING CELL PHONE NUMBER +593-8099-0198. IDOWU WAS A PARTNER OF DECEASED NIGERIAN DRUG TRAFFICKER, ABUGA, OLATUNJI LUKMON. ABUGA WAS KILLED IN 2007 BY UNIDENTIFIED DRUG TRAFFICKERS IN NIGERIA. THE CS EXPLAINED THAT IDOWU RELOCATED TO ECUADOR RIGHT AFTER ABUGA WAS KILLED. FROM ECUADOR, IDOWU NETWORKS WITH OTHER NIGERIAN DRUG TRAFFICKERS THAT ARE ESTABLISHED IN SOUTH AMERICA. RECENTLY, IDOWU TRAVELED TO VENEZUELA TO COORDINATE WITH OTHER NIGERIAN TRAFFICKERS FOR THE SHIPMENT OF COCAINE LOADS. IDOWU HAS INVITED THE CS TO ECUADOR TO MEET WITH IDOWU AND HIS ASSOCIATES IN SOUTH AMERICA, TO FURTHER EXPAND HIS DRUG SMUGGLING OPERATIONS. THERE ARE NO VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR NIGERIANS TO ENTER LAGOS 00000053 002.2 OF 005

ECUADOR. THE VISA WAIVER POLICY MAKES IT EASIER FOR FREE MOVEMENT OF NIGERIANS INTO ECUADOR. THE CS ALSO STATED THAT IDOWU COORDINATES SHIPMENTS OF UNKNOWN QUANTITIES OF COCAINE FROM ECUADOR THROUGH SOUTH AFRICA. (AOF-A05-UP-10; AOF-B00-UP-10)

14. ANOTHER NIGERIAN TRAFFICKER ONLY KNOWN AS MUDA HAS ESTABLISHED HIS DRUG SMUGGLING OPERATIONS IN VENEZUELA. MUDA VISITED LAGOS, NIGERIA IN LATE 2009 FOR THE OPENING OF HIS (MUDA'S) HOTEL NAMED CARACAS, LOCATED IN ONIKE, YABA - LAGOS, NIGERIA. THE CS STATED THAT AT THE CEREMONY WAS AKINDELE, OKUMOLUYI, A NIGERIAN DRUG TRAFFICKER WHO WAS RECENTLY RELEASED FROM PRISON AFTER SERVING A FOUR-YEAR SENTENCE FOR DRUG RELATED CHARGES. MUDA AND AKINDELE WERE ASSOCIATES BEFORE AKINDELE WAS ARRESTED. DURING HIS STAY IN NIGERIA FOR THE HOTEL OPENING, MUDA ALLEGEDLY PROVIDED AKINDELE WITH AN INFINITE SUV AND 15 MILLION NAIRA (NIGERIAN CURRENCY, APPROXIMATELY \$10,000 US CURRENCY) TO BEGIN HIS DRUG SMUGGLING VENTURES. THE CS REPORTED THAT RECENTLY AKINDELE HAD RELOCATED TO VENEZUELA TO SET UP ROUTES FROM VENEZUELA TO WEST AFRICA. (AOF-A05-UP-10; AOF-E00-UP-10)

15. DURING MUDA'S STAY IN NIGERIA, MUDA MET WITH THE CS. THE CS STATED THAT MUDA WORKS WITH NIGERIAN DRUG TRAFFICKER ONLY KNOWN AS WOLEX AND THAT THEY COORDINATE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF COCAINE FROM SOUTH AMERICA TO WEST AFRICA. THE CS STATED THAT WOLEX HAS A HOUSE IN VENEZUELA AND THAT HE (WOLEX) TRAVELS BETWEEN ECUADOR AND VENEZUELA TO CONDUCT DRUG SMUGGLING VENTURES. (AOF-A05-UP-10; AOFC01-UP-10; AOF-E02-UP-10)

16. ON JANUARY 21, 2010, WOLEX CONTACTED THE CS. WOLEX IS CURRENTLY IN SAO PAULO, BRAZIL, UTILIZING CELL PHONE NUMBER +55-1181406568. WOLEX ASKED THE CS IF THE CS WILL BE WILLING TO TRAVEL TO ECUADOR. THE CS REPLIED LAGOS 00000053 003.2 OF 005

THAT AS SOON THE CS FINISHES HIS/HER AFFAIRS. WOLEX ASKED THE CS TO CONTACT ONE OF WOLEX'S ASSOCIATES IN LAGOS, NIGERIA, ALHAJI ISMALA AND PROVIDED A CELL PHONE NUMBER FOR ISMALA +234-807-702-2490. (AOF-B00-UP-10)

17. ON JANUARY 22, 2010, THE CS MET WITH ISMALA IN LAGOS, NIGERIA. ISMALA ASKED THE CS TO MEET HIM AT HIS RESIDENCE, NO. 9 ALHAJI LATEFF SHOFOWORA GBAGADA, LAGOS ESTATE, LAGOS, NIGERIA. THE CS DESCRIBED ISMALA AS A BLACK MALE, APPROXIMATELY 45 YOA, ABOUT 5'6" AND 150 LBS. THE CS STATED THAT ISMALA IS A MUSLIM. THE CS DESCRIBED THE DWELLING AS LOCATED AT THE END OF A DIRT ROAD, BEHIND A METAL GREEN COLORED GATE. THE UPPER PART OF THE DWELLING HAS GREEN MOLDED LETTERS ON THE WALL THAT READS "OLA MOTHER", WHICH IN YORUBA LANGUAGE MEANS "WEALTH MOTHER". THE CS FURTHER STATED THAT THE RESIDENCE HAS GREEN TRIMMING. DURING THE MEETING, ISMALA TOLD THE CS THAT HE (ISMALA) HAD TRAVELED AT LEAST TWO TIMES TO ECUADOR AND VENEZUELA. ISMALA FURTHER TOLD THE CS THAT HE (ISMALA) WORKS WITH WOLEX AND THEY HAVE THREE MARITIME VESSELS IN NIGERIA THAT THEY UTILIZE TO TRANSPORT LOADS OF COCAINE INTO WEST

AFRICA. ISMALA ASKED THE CS THAT WHEN THE CS TRAVELS TO ECUADOR TO TAKE A RING (HAND JEWELRY) FOR WOLEX. THE CS AGREED AND TOLD ISMALA THAT THEY WILL BE IN CONTACT BEFORE THE CS TRAVELS TO ECUADOR. (AOF-A05-UP-10)

NON-DRUG RELATED INFORMATION

¶8. THE CS DID NOT PROVIDE ANY NON-DRUG RELATED INFORMATION.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

¶9. THE CS DID NOT PROVIDE ANY FINANCIAL RELATED INFORMATION.

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TERRORIST INFORMATION

¶10. THE CS DID NOT PROVIDE ANY TERRORIST RELATED INFORMATION.

¶11. THE LAGOS CO HAD SUBMITTED THE ABOVE LISTED TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO THE DEA DARTS SYSTEM UNDER UP-10-0004 AND GFUP-09-4001. PLEASE INCLUDE THE LAGOS CO ON ALL ACTION RESPONSES SO THE INVESTIGATION CAN BE JOINTLY COORDINATED.

¶12. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DEA AGENTS MANUAL SECTION 6242.11, THIS TELETYPE WAS PREPARED IN LIEU OF A DEA-6, REPORT OF INVESTIGATION. PLEASE DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE INFORMATION IN THIS CABLE TO COUNTRY ATTACHC0 SAM GAYE, SA VINCE CARPIO OR SA ANNELIESE CARPIO AT THE LAGOS CO, +234-1460-3440.

INDEXING SECTION

¶1. WOLEX - NADDIS 7033188 - AKA RICKY WOLASTON, NIGERIAN MALE RESIDING IN QUITO, ECUADOR AND SAO PAULO, BRAZIL. ECUADOR CELL PHONE NUMBERS +593-8465-8223; BRAZIL CELL

PHONE NUMBER +55-1181406568. E-MAIL ACCOUNT
MARIWOL2007@YAHOO.COM. PER CS, CONTROLS MOVEMENT OF
THE MV SEA RELIANCE TO FACILITATE THE TRANSPORTATION
OF COCAINE FROM SOUTH AMERICA TO THE WEST COAST OF
AFRICA.

12. ABUGA, OLATUNJI LUKMON - NADDIS 5132426 - DECEASED.

13. IDOWU - NADDIS INCONCLUSIVE - NIGERIAN TRAFFICKER
BASED IN QUITO, ECUADOR, CELL PHONE NUMBER 011-593-
8099-0198.

14. MUDA - NADDIS INCONCLUSIVE - NIGERIAN TRAFFICKER BASED
IN VENEZUELA, ASSOCIATED WITH WOLEX (NN 7033188).
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OWNER OF THE HOTEL CARACAS IN ONIKE, YABA-LAGOS.

15. AKINDELE, OKUMOLUYI - NADDIS 6259817 - NIGERIAN
TRAFFICKER RECENTLY RELEASED FROM NIGERIAN PRISON FOR
DRUG RELATED CHARGES, ASSOCIATED WITH MUDA AND WOLEX
(NN7033188), RECENTLY RELOCATED TO VENEZUELA.
BLAIR